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BANDAGE MAKING FROM COW INTESTINES AND ANIMAL BLOOD
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that scientists of Central Leather Research Institute (CLRI), Chennai are making bandages from cow-intestines and animals blood that heal wounds quicker called Fibrogel and Collagen, respectively; and

(b) if so, the stand of the Ministry of Environment and Forests on the cruelty to animals in preparation of these bandages?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS(SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) & (b) It is true that the technology for bandages from collagen tissues of slaughtered animals have been developed by Central Leather Research Institute (CLRI), a Research & Development organization involved in development of technologies. The by-products of certified slaughterhouses in the country are employed in the process. As materials are actually the by-products from slaughterhouses, the question of cruelty to animals does not arise.